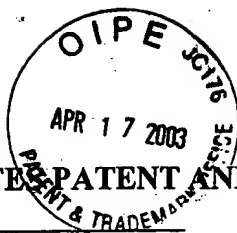


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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 16, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims

Please add the following new claims.

22. A hydrofluorination catalyst consisting essentially of bulk chromium oxide which is depleted in ammonium salt and which exhibits a content of ammonium salts of less than or equal to 0.2% by weight, expressed in the form of NH_4^+ , with respect to the content of chromium in the catalyst, expressed in the form of Cr_2O_3 .
23. The catalyst according to claim 22, in which the content of ammonium salts is less than or equal to 0.1% by weight of ammonium salts.
24. A process for the hydrofluorination of a halogenated hydrocarbon which comprises reacting a halogenated hydrocarbon with hydrogen fluoride in the presence of the catalyst according to claim 22.

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